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FOR NON-PERMANENT SEAT ON THE UN SECURITY COUNCIL

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Classified By: DCM James F. Entwistle. Reasons 1.4 (B&D).

11. (C) On February 8, Ambassador Lunstead delivered Reftel demarche to Sri Lankan Foreign Secretary H.M.G.S. Palihakkara at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Palihakkara acknowledged the points concerning Venezuela as enumerated by the Ambassador and stated that his government would consider the subject and reply to the Ambassador at a later date.
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